

One Hundred Men Thrown Out of Employment for a Short Time By Burning of the Bloomington Tipple

Damage Is Not Serious However and Plant Will Continue to Operate at Half-Capacity Until Repairs Can be Made.

ORIGIN OF FIRE UNKNOWN

The village of Bloomington Mines, above Rathmel, was threatened with destruction for a time Monday night by fire, which partially destroyed the tipple. How the fire originated is unknown, but it is supposed that oil and waste around it ignited in some way and set fire to the woodwork. About seven in the evening a little girl passing by called the fireman's attention to the blaze, which was then quite large. He gave the alarm and phoned to Reynoldsville for assistance. Men from Rathmel and this place formed a volunteer fire department which fought the blaze for an hour and succeeded in checking it before it destroyed any of the adjacent buildings of the plant.

The destruction of the tipple will force the Bloomington mines to run at half capacity for a short time and about one hundred men will be thrown out of employment until the tipple can be rebuilt. The Bloomington operations are good for several years more at the present rate of working and there is no danger of the plant being abandoned on account of Monday's fire.

MALICIOUS MISCHIEF OR THEFT OF COLONY OF BEES

Two Men Abandoned Hive of Bees Monday Morning.

A case which bears all the earmarks of malicious mischief or theft came to light Monday morning when boys playing under the iron bridge over Sandy Lick Creek at foot of Main street discovered a colony of bees in a hive tightly wrapped in burlap bags on the bank, just above the water level. The entrance to the hive had been tightly closed with tin strip, nailed on, and the bees were suffocated by the heat of the enclosed hive. When found the bees were lying in a mass, indicating that death had come by what bee keepers term "scalding." After discovery of the hive, the bartender of the House recalled seeing two men come from under the bridge that morning and board an early street car. The theory is that the hive was stolen somewhere Sunday night and the men who took it were overtaken by daylight and abandoned the bees. No experienced bee keeper would have treated the bees with the cruelty displayed by the men who suffocated this colony.

REYNOLDSVILLE PEOPLE VISITED IN PUNXSUTAWNEY

Held a Picnic at the Home of J. Elson Smith.

Friday, August 12th, twenty-three persons from Reynoldsville, DuBois, Prescottville, Eleonora and other places, boarded the trolley at Reynoldsville and went to Punxsutawney, where the day was spent with Mr. and Mrs. J. Elson Smith at their pleasant home at Albion, a suburb of Punxsutawney. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are former residents of Reynoldsville and the event was in the nature of a reunion of old friends and neighbors, joined by new friends of the family in Punxsutawney. Refreshments were served, games played, including baseball, music enlivened the scene and everybody had a good time of it. Those composing the party from this section were as follows: George Tapper, wife and son, Samuel Waite, wife and daughter, Clyde Guthrie, wife and two children, Mrs. Phillip Guthrie and daughter, Helene, Mrs. Gust Guthrie and two children, Miss Nellie Campbell, of Reynoldsville, Mrs. John King, of Prescottville, Mrs. John McGinness, of DuBois, Mrs. Hamilton and daughter, Maggie, Mrs. John Hamilton, Mrs. William Stockdale, Mrs. William Rhoads, all from Eleonora.

The Bykesville base ball team is off on a week's tour of Western Pennsylvania towns and Frank Bohren, of this place, played with them Monday at Tyler. Bohren is a tower of strength to any team and his aid is sought whenever a hard contest is in sight.

RUMORED THAT ONONDAGA SHAFT MAY BE ABANDONED

Serious Fault in Vein Said to Be Causing Trouble.

It is said that the company operating the shaft at Onondaga, near Big Run, has been having difficulty for some time with a fault in their vein of coal and that the officials are seriously considering the advisability of abandoning the present shaft. Several hundred thousand dollars are invested in the Onondaga property and its abandonment would mean the passing out of existence of one of the liveliest little mining hamlets in the county.

Local Characters Fare Ill At the County Court.

Workhouse Sentences Handed To Four Persons, Jail Sentences Given Three Men.

GRAND JURY - ALSO INDICTS

A number of Reynoldsville people were conspicuous in cases tried in the Jefferson county court at Brookville last week.

Frank Lowers, the young man from Prescottville who mystified the farmers of several townships last winter and spring by stealing their cows and calves and leaving no trace, plead guilty to the charge preferred against him and received an indeterminate sentence of from three to twelve years in the Western Penitentiary, pay fine of \$1 pay costs and restore stolen property.

Olyver H. Rose and "Taylor" Fox, of Reynoldsville, and Frank Fox, of Sandy Valley, charged with furnishing liquor to a man of known intemperate habits, were found guilty and all three received sentences of 60 days in the county jail, pay costs and fine of \$50 each. In the case of Frank Fox, an ineffectual effort was made to have sentence suspended.

Mrs. Lou Scott, indicted for keeping a bawdy house in Reynoldsville, was found guilty and received a sentence of one year in the Allegheny County Workhouse.

The Grand Jury found a true bill against Mrs. L. D. Perkins, on a charge of keeping a bawdy house, and her case will come up at the next term of court.

Ed. McKee and Tom Slee, of Rathmel Junction, were charged with open lewdness and both were found guilty and sentenced to sixty days in the Allegheny County Workhouse.

Party for Reynoldsville Girls.

The moonlight picnic which Miss Gertrude Prindle gave Thursday night in honor of her guests, the Misses Alice and Rose Degan, of Reynoldsville, was attended by a large number of persons and proved a very pleasant affair. In addition to the games and amusements ordinarily indulged in on such occasions there was a fine array of good things to eat carried by the girls in their lunch baskets, and these, too, were heartily relished.—Ridgway Advocate.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to express, through this paper, our sincere thanks to friends and relatives for their loving kindness and sympathy during the illness and after the death of our daughter Agnes. Particularly are we desirous of expressing our appreciation to those who, during her illness, presented flowers, which tokens of friendship and sympathy could not have been received with greater gratitude, and which lightened the cares of her when she knew her earthly existence was about to be ended.

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Save Money. Buy your school shoes at J. H. Fink's department store, Punxsutawney, Pa.

We can save you from 50c to \$1.50 on men's low shoes, Adam's.

Subscribe for THE STAR.

Come early while the picking is good, at Adam's cut price sale.

All the odd pairs of oxfords must go regardless of price at Adam's.

County Convention Of Woman's Christian Temperance Union

Program of the Event Which Will be Held at Summerville August 30th and 31st.

FIGHTING EXISTING EVILS

The county convention of the W. C. T. U., of which Mrs. George G. Williams of Reynoldsville, is president, will be held in the Presbyterian church at Summerville Tuesday and Wednesday, August 30th and 31st. The following program has been prepared for the occasion:

Tuesday Afternoon.

2:00 Devotional Mrs. Hannah Prescott
2:30 Roll Call Mrs. Maud Irwin
Reading of Minutes of Executive meeting.

Appointment of Committees.

President's Address.

Addresses of Welcome.

Miss Jeanie Wolwork.

Response Miss Myrtle Thompson

Mrs. J. A. Garvin (Benediction).

Announcements.

Tuesday Evening.

7:30 Devotional Mrs. Belle Hunter

Solo Mrs. Frances Morrison

Gold Medal Contest, Conducted by Mrs. Fred Barlow

Benediction.

Silver Offering.

Wednesday Morning.

9:00 Devotional Mrs. Martha Bloss

9:30 Report of Corresponding Secretary.

Report of Treasurer.

Report of Superintendents and Branch Secretaries.

Noontide Prayer.

Wednesday Afternoon.

2:00 Bible Reading Mrs. Fitch

2:30 Reports of Superintendents continued.

Election of officers and delegates to State Convention.

Report of Finance and Membership Committees.

Adjournment.

Wednesday Evening.

7:30 Music by the choir and devotional.

Solo Mrs. Frances Morrison

Address Mrs. Addie Parcells.

Offering.

Benediction.

Wm. Lyle Died Last Week.

William Lyle, one of the oldest and best known citizens of Rathmel, died at his home in that place Wednesday, August 10th, 1910, as a result of heart trouble, asthma, and the general breakdown of old age. In his more vigorous days he was pit boss of the Sprague mine at that place and acted in that capacity for fifteen years. He was 75 years and 5 months old.

Mr. Lyle's wife died two years ago. He is survived by the following children: Milner and George Lyle, at Fillmore, W. Va., Charles and Archie, at Leechburg, Pa., William Lyle, at Elbon, Pa., John Lyle, at home, Mrs. Oscar Hayes, at Rathmel, Mrs. Firman Bowser, at Olean, N. Y.

The funeral was held Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Dr. A. J. Meek, of the Reynoldsville Baptist church, and burial was made in the DuBois cemetery.

Entertained Friday Evening.

Misses Mayme and Emma Hines entertained a number of their friends at their home on Fourth street last Friday evening in honor of their aunt, Mrs. Clara Bonneau, and son, Charles, of Cleveland, N. Y. The evening's entertainment consisted of various games and music, Mr. Bonneau rendering several violin selections. At 11:00 p. m. all repaired to the dining room, where an excellent supper was served. At a reasonable hour the guests departed to their respective homes, expressing themselves as having had a very enjoyable evening.

Better Shoes.

For less money. Try J. H. Fink department store, Punxsutawney, Pa.

The shoes we offer at cut prices, are our very best quality. Adam's.

There will be something doing every minute of every day during Nolan Park Carnival, such as free attractions, music, dancing, base ball, shows of all kinds.

BROTHER AND SISTER MEET AFTER 25 YEARS

James Degan and Mrs. Anna Keogh the Principals.

Mrs. Mary Keogh and daughter, Miss Anna, of Binghamton, N. Y., have been guests of James Degan and family on Jackson street the past week. Mrs. Keogh is the oldest sister of Mr. Degan and the two had not met for twenty-five years until last week. These two were members of a family of nine children, who, when living at the old home in Susquehanna county, were left orphans, and Mrs. Keogh, then but a girl, being the oldest of the group, took the place of the deceased mother in rearing the children and keeping them together until able to make their own way in life. Naturally the younger children, of whom Mr. Degan was one, came to feel for her an affection deeper far than ordinarily exists, and the memory of the old days added to the pleasure of the reunion of the two last week.

Water Company Has Troubles of Its Own

The Lower Valve in a Deep Well Pump Broke Last Week.

The Reynoldsville Water Company is making strenuous efforts to keep the local people well supplied with water despite the dryness of the weather and mishaps to the equipment. Owing to the long drought the natural supply of water is low at present and it was found necessary to start the pumps at the various wells of the company. Last Thursday evening the lower valve in the 200-foot well, west of the central pumping station, broke and the accident cut off about one-half the supply of water. It was repaired but broke again Saturday night. It was put in shape to continue pumping for a time, but Sunday again refused to work and 200 feet of casing was then pulled from the well by Herpel Brothers, the broken pieces taken out and the valve repaired.

Sunday it became necessary to shut off the water over the town for several hours and again on Monday. To meet the shortage of water an engine was started to work pumping water from the well near Hoffman's dam and the company did all possible to tide over the unlooked-for emergency.

RECEPTION YESTERDAY.

At the Home of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Herpel for John M. Coleman and B. B. Brite.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Herpel entertained yesterday from 3 to 5 p. m. at a reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Coleman, who have just returned from their honeymoon. From seventy-five to eighty guests were received by Mrs. Herpel and the honor guests.

Dainty refreshments were served. Misses Aldine Reed, Jane Smith, Hazel McCreight and Maude Deter acted as aids.

Surprise Party.

By an oversight we neglected to mention last week that one of the pleasantest social events of the season had taken place at the home of Squire P. J. Ward, in West Reynoldsville, Saturday, August 6th. It was the fifty-first birthday of Mrs. Ward and in honor of the event her husband quietly arranged a plan to surprise her which worked to perfection. In the afternoon Mrs. Ward was induced to come over to Reynoldsville on an apparently important errand and in her absence friends and neighbors to the number of several score gathered at the home and prepared for an afternoon of pleasure. After the return of Mrs. Ward, to find her home in the possession of friends, she entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion and enjoyed with the guests the first birthday party of her life. Refreshments were served and the guests departed wishing Mrs. Ward many happy returns of her natal day.

Lutheran Church.

The Rev. J. L. Fischer, of Pittsburgh, who is well known to many of our congregation, will preach for us next Sunday.

The Sunday school will hold a picnic in Reynolds Park August 27th, at 2 p. m.

The next preaching service at the grove will be on Sunday, August 28th, at 3 p. m.

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HORMTOWN GRANGE WAS ADDRESSED BY J. S. BRIGGS

State Demonstrator Visited Two Orchards Last Week.

J. S. Briggs, special inspector and demonstrator for the division of zoology of the state Department of Agriculture, was the speaker of the day at the picnic of the Hormtown Grange Wednesday and in the evening, despite the rainy weather and muddy roads, one hundred and fifteen of the residents of the Hormtown and Glendale region gathered at the grange hall and listened for an hour and twenty minutes to Mr. Briggs. He is an expert in his line and an eloquent speaker as well.

Thursday morning the inspector in the presence of many farmers, examined and gave practical demonstrations in the orchards of Fred Moore, in Glendale and David Wheeler, near Reynoldsville, showing how the trees should be cared for and the best methods to fight the insects and worms which cause local fruit growers trouble.

Mr. Briggs brought to a close in Reynoldsville a trip of seven weeks' duration through seven different counties in this part of Pennsylvania and returned to his home in Norris-town Friday. He is a big, broad minded, genial man who made a friend of every man who came in contact with him in this section. Moreover he is accomplishing a valuable work in educating the farmers and fruit growers of the state to produce better results from their orchards and farms.

Seventy-Fourth Anniversary and a Wedding

Reunion at the Belnap Home is Made Memorable.

The seventy-fourth anniversary of the birth of Mr. Hiram S. Belnap, one of the best known of the older residents of Reynoldsville, was signaled by a gathering of his children with their wives and husbands, at the family residence on Fourth street, Monday and made more memorable still by the wedding at 1:00 o'clock p. m. that day of his youngest son, Chester Niram Belnap, to Miss Freda Margaret Demoske, of Pittsburgh. The marriage ceremony was performed at the home by Rev. Charles E. Rudy, pastor of the Trinity Lutheran church of Reynoldsville, in the presence of the members of the family assembled from many parts of the state in honor of the event and of the anniversary. The beautiful ring ceremony was used. The bridal couple left on the 4:48 p. m. Pennsylvania train for a short wedding trip, after which they will be at home at 4752 Liberty Avenue, East End, Pittsburgh. Mr. Belnap and his wife will own and operate a large millinery store in that city.

The sons, daughters and relatives of Mr. Belnap present in honor of this event were as follows: Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wise, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Shewman, and Miss Jennie Roll, of Pittsburgh, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Belnap and son, Chester, of Queenstown, Mrs. Dr. T. H. Winter, of New Castle, Pa.

Hiram S. Belnap was born in Pittsfield, Warren county, Pa., August 15th, 1836, and received his early education in the schools of that county. In 1860 he embarked in the lumber business in Youngsville, Pa. Later he became walking boss on the old Sunbury and Erie Railroad. In 1864 he was manager of the old Hyde House in Ridgway, Pa., and afterwards was proprietor of the Indiana House, in Indiana, Pa. In 1867 he came to Reynoldsville, where he and Henry M. Ieeman, now deceased, took possession of the old Reynolds House, now known as Frank's Tavern. In 1873 he built the Belnap House, now known as the City Hotel, of which he was proprietor nine years. In the same year he shipped the first coal ever shipped from this section, being from the old Diamond mine, and the consignment went to Buffalo, N. Y. In 1874 he was married to Mrs. Jennie E. Merrill, of Clearfield county, Pa. Unto this union five children were born: Della G., LaRue, Elva I., Harry S., and Chester N. Belnap. After leaving the hotel business Mr. Belnap engaged in lumbering and later in the wholesale liquor business.

Another touch of interest was lent to this event by the christening of a grandson, Chester Joseph, son of Harry S. Belnap and wife, of Queenstown. Rev. C. E. Rudy also officiated at this event.

Left Arm Broken.

Arthur Bolt, son of William Bolt, fell from a tree recently and broke his left forearm. The arm is now healing nicely.

Seven Carloads Of Material Here

Blaw Collapsible Steel Centering Company Gets Large Consignment of Steel and Supplies and Building Material.

EVIDENCE OF PROSPERITY

Seven carloads of material for the Blaw Collapsible Steel Centering Co. arrived in Reynoldsville last night. This is an indication of prosperity at the local plant that looks good to the home people. The Blaw company makes no promises but is slowly and surely putting the plant into condition to double the present output if desired.

True Sons of Franklin Are the Atwater Bros.

Prominent Figures in the Old Home Week Celebration.

The Franklin News Tuesday devoted two columns to D. W. Atwater, of Reynoldsville, and his brother, Ayres B. Atwater, of Robins, Iowa, who met at their boyhood home in Franklin during the Old Home Week, after being separated fifteen years. The article was accompanied by pictures of the two gentlemen and extended reminiscences by each of them about early days in Franklin. Part of the article was as follows:

"Of the hundreds of home-comers, undoubtedly the one to have gone the longest without a visit in the meantime is Ayres B. Atwater, of Robins, Ia., who is accompanied by his daughter, Olive B. Atwater. He has been gone from Franklin for forty-one years. Just think of it! Forty-one years! And yet Mr. Atwater isn't an old man, by any means. He is just a shade beyond the prime of life, keen of eye, sturdy of frame and a true westerner in manner.

"Mr. Atwater's brother, D. W., of Reynoldsville, who was back in Franklin last spring, is also here and the two brothers are having the best kind of a time renewing old acquaintances, of whom they are finding a great many, despite the ravages of death. These 'boys' are true sons of Franklin, for their grandfather, Thomas S. McDowell, was the first white male child born in this city. Thomas's mother was the wife of Colonel Alexander McDowell, the first justice of the peace and the first postmaster. The boys say they remember well their great-grandmother."

These two brothers are now together in Reynoldsville.

Reunion at New Castle.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Farrell and family of this place, are at New Castle, Pa., this week, where a reunion of all members of the family is being held. This reunion has previously been held annually at the home in Reynoldsville but on account of the inability of H. R. Farrell, of Elkins, W. Va., to come to Reynoldsville, the pleasant event is held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Malloy, in New Castle, this year.

Birthday Party.

The sixty-fifth birthday of Mrs. Hannah Bolt was celebrated by an enjoyable party at her home on Jackson street Thursday last. From twenty to thirty of her old and young friends spent the day at her home, refreshments were served and the time spent in the pleasant talk of olden days that characterize such occasions.

Moving to New Kensington.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Folk, residents of West Reynoldsville, are moving their household goods to New Kensington, Pa., this week, where Mr. Folk has been employed for over a month. Mr. Folk was a good citizen and his townsmen regret his departure.

Elected to Teach at DuBois.

Miss Eleanor Stiles, of West Reynoldsville who had been elected a teacher in McCalmont township for the coming season, has resigned that position to accept another as teacher of Room 6 in the First ward school at DuBois.

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We, the common people, will have to cut down the tree of party prejudice and plant the tree of principle, or we will never attain our rights in this Republic. Elmer E. Beck, for Assembly.